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	Clement B. Graham	3696	

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 10/16/08.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-42.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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/Frantzy Poinvil/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3696

ALLOWANCE

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with James J. Bindsell March 31, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1 has been replaced by --

-- Claim 1, A method for performing automated distribution and billing, comprising:
providing, at a server, a negotiation forum between a delivery entity and a receiver entity, wherein the delivery entity corresponds to a developer of an application, wherein the receiver entity corresponds to a distributor of the application, wherein the negotiation forum ~~allows for~~ provides a virtual negotiation of billing-related metadata between the delivery entity and the receiver entity for the application, wherein at least a portion of the billing-related metadata relates to how to account for distribution of the application by the receiver entity to a wireless device operating on a network of the receiver entity and corresponding to a subscriber;
receiving, at the negotiation forum, at least one proposed billing-related metadata associated with the application from at least one of the delivery entity or the receiver entity;
receiving an acceptance of the proposed billing-related metadata by the delivery entity and the receiver entity, thereby defining agreed-to billing-related metadata corresponding to the application, the delivery entity and the receiver entity;
receiving indication that a transaction involving the application, the wireless device and the receiver entity has occurred; and
transmitting billing information only to the receiver entity to account for the transaction, wherein the billing information is based on the agreed-to billing-related metadata, wherein the billing information includes a developer payment fee and transaction data corresponding to the

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transaction, wherein the transaction data is used by the receiver entity to derive an application download event for billing the subscriber.

Claim 7 has been replaced by --

-- Claim 7, A system for performing automated distribution and billing, comprising:

means for providing a negotiation forum between a delivery entity and a receiver entity, wherein the delivery entity corresponds to a developer of an application, wherein the receiver entity corresponds to a distributor of the application, wherein the negotiation forum provides a virtual negotiation of billing-related metadata between the delivery entity and the receiver entity for the application, wherein at least a portion of the billing-related metadata relates to how to account for distribution of the application by the receiver entity to a wireless device operating on a network of the receiver entity and corresponding to a subscriber;

means for receiving, at the negotiation forum, at least one proposed billing-related metadata associated with the application from at least one of the delivery entity or the receiver entity;

means for receiving an acceptance of the proposed billing-related metadata by the delivery entity and the receiver entity, thereby defining agreed-to billing-related metadata corresponding to the application, the delivery entity and the receiver entity;

means for receiving indication that a transaction involving the application, the wireless device and the receiver entity has occurred; and

means for transmitting billing information only to the receiver entity to account for the transaction, wherein the billing information is based on the agreed-to billing-related metadata, wherein the billing information includes a developer payment fee and transaction data corresponding to the transaction, wherein the transaction data is used by the receiver entity to derive an application download event for billing the subscriber.

Claim 11 has been replaced by --

-- Claim 11, A computer-readable medium comprising instructions, which, when executed by a computer, cause the computer to perform operations, the instructions comprising:

at least one instruction for providing a negotiation forum between a delivery entity and a receiver entity, wherein the delivery entity corresponds to a developer of an application, wherein the receiver entity corresponds to a distributor of the application, wherein the negotiation forum

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provides a virtual negotiation of billing-related metadata between the delivery entity and the receiver entity for the application, wherein at least a portion of the billing-related metadata relates to how to account for distribution of the application by the receiver entity to a wireless device operating on a network of the receiver entity and corresponding to a subscriber;

at least one instruction for receiving, at the negotiation forum, at least one proposed billing-related metadata associated with the application from at least one of the delivery entity or the receiver entity;

at least one instruction for receiving an acceptance of the proposed billing-related metadata by the delivery entity and the receiver entity, thereby defining agreed-to billing-related metadata corresponding to the application, the delivery entity and the receiver entity;

at least one instruction for receiving indication that a transaction involving the application, the wireless device and the receiver entity has occurred; and

at least one instruction for transmitting billing information only to the receiver entity to account for the transaction, wherein the billing information is based on the agreed-to billing-related metadata, wherein the billing information includes a developer payment fee and transaction data corresponding to the transaction, wherein the transaction data is used by the receiver entity to derive an application download event for billing the subscriber.

Claim 5 has been replaced by --

-- Claim 5, An automated distribution and billing system, comprising:

an extranet accessible by multiple carriers and multiple developers, wherein each developer corresponds to a creator of an application, wherein each carrier corresponds to a distributor of applications, wherein the extranet defines a negotiation forum that enables a virtual negotiation of billing-related metadata between a respective carrier and a respective developer for a respective application, wherein at least a portion of the billing-related metadata relates to how to account for distribution of the respective application by the respective carrier to a wireless device operating on a network of the respective carrier and corresponding to a subscriber;

a server having a central repository that stores agreed-to billing-related metadata corresponding to the respective application, the respective carrier and the respective developer,

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wherein the agreed-to billing-related metadata comprises respective billing-related metadata accepted by both the respective carrier and the respective developer during the virtual negotiation; and

a transaction server for receiving transaction data corresponding to a downloading of the respective application from the respective carrier to the wireless device, and, using the corresponding agreed-to billing-related metadata, for determining billing information associated with the downloading of the application and for transmitting the billing information only to the carrier to account for the distribution of the application by the carrier to the wireless device, wherein the billing information includes a developer payment fee and a portion of the transaction data used by the carrier to derive an application download event for billing the subscriber.

Claim 19 has been replaced by --

-- Claim 19, A system for distributing applications over a wireless network, comprising:

a centralized processor for performing administrative functions associated with downloading an application to a wireless device, wherein the centralized processor comprises agreed-to billing-related metadata corresponding to the application, a developer of the application and a carrier accepted by both the carrier and the developer during a virtual negotiation, and wherein at least a portion of the agreed-to billing-related metadata relates to how to account for distribution of the application by the carrier to a respective wireless device operating on a network of the carrier and corresponding to a subscriber;

a local processor₁ connected to the centralized processor, for receiving catalog data and the application from the centralized processor, for transmitting the catalog data and the application to the wireless device, and for recording transaction data associated with the transmission of the application to the wireless device, wherein the catalog data includes a correspondence between the application and the agreed-to billing-related metadata; and

a transaction server₁ connected to the centralized processor and the local processor, for receiving the agreed-to billing-related metadata from the centralized processor, for receiving the transaction data from the local processor, and for processing the agreed-to billing-related metadata and the transaction data to generate billing information for transmission only to the carrier to account for the distribution of the application by the carrier to the wireless device,

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wherein the billing information includes a developer payment fee and a portion of the transaction data used by the carrier to derive an application download event for billing the subscriber.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-42 are allowable over the prior art of record and has argued by Applicant's representative in their response 10/16/2008.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Clement B. Graham whose telephone number is 571-272-6795. The examiner can normally be reached on 7am to 5pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Dixon can be reached on (571) 272-6803. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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